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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Appln. of: MILANI et al.

Appln. No.: 09/609,016

Filed: June 30, 2000

For: FOOD SLICE CONSISTING OF TWO OR  
MORE FOOD ITEMS AND PROCESSES FOR  
MAKING AND PACKAGING SAME

Examiner: S. Weinstein

Art Unit: 1761

Attorney Docket No: 115/575

Mail Stop RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
Sir:

TRANSMITTAL

Attached is/are:

- ☒ Request For Continued Examination (37 C.F.R. § 1.114) (in duplicate); Amendment and Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111; Substance of Interview of September 7, 2004; Substance of Interview of April 13, 2004;
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

Fee calculation:

- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ Small Entity.
- ☐ An extension fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_ for a \_\_\_-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).
- ☐ A petition or processing fee in an amount of \$\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(\_\_\_\_).
- ☐ An additional filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

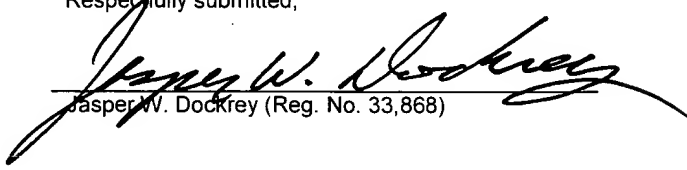
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Indep.	6	Minus	6	0	x 44=			x \$88=	
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim					+\$150=			+\$300=	
					Total	\$		Total	\$

Fee payment:

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$790.00 for the RCE filing fee is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 23-1925 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_. A copy of this Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.
- ☐ Payment by credit card in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_ (Form PTO-2038 is attached).
- ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this paper (including any extension fee required to ensure that this paper is timely filed), or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.

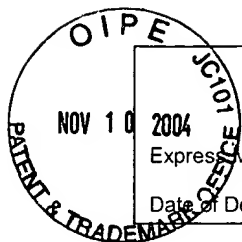
Respectfully submitted,

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Jasper W. Dockrey (Reg. No. 33,868)

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**TRANSMITTAL**

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)**

Sir:

Applicant(s) requests continued examination of the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

☒ Submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (check at least one of the following):

☒ Previously submitted:

☒ Applicant(s) requests nonentry of any previously-filed unentered amendments.

☐ Please enter and consider the Amendment After Final Under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

☒ Attached is/are:

☐ An Information Disclosure Statement

☒ An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings

☐ New Arguments and/or New Evidence in support of Patentability

☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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☐ Request for suspension of action:

Applicant(s) hereby request suspension of action on the above-identified application under 37 C.F.R. §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; requires Processing Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i)).

☐ Small Entity Status:

☐ Applicant hereby asserts entitlement to claim small entity status under 37 CFR §§ 1.9 and 1.27.

☐ A small entity statement or assertion of entitlement to claim small entity status was filed in prior application no. \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ and such status is still proper and desired.

☐ Is no longer desired.

☒ Applicant(s) calculate the following fees to be due in connection with this Request:

☒ A Request fee of \$790.00 under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).

☐ A suspension processing fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i).

☐ An additional filing fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 (\_\_\_\_\_ additional independent claims and/or \_\_\_\_\_ additional total claims).

☐ An extension fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a) for a \_\_\_\_\_-month extension of time.

☒ Fee payment to cover the above-enumerated fee(s):

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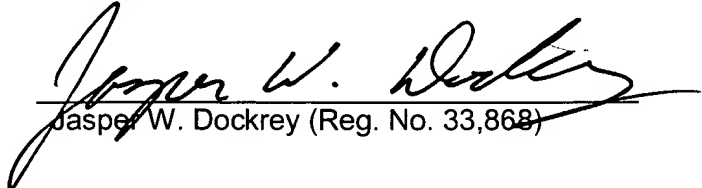
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